

Paul Supports Eliminating Income Taxes for Armed Forces

Washington, DC: Congressman Ron Paul recently cosponsored legislation that would exempt members of America's armed forces from income taxes. HR 4974, introduced by Texas congressman John Culberson, would extend the existing tax exemption for armed forces serving in combat zones to the entire active duty military. This would eliminate withholding and income tax filing for the nation's soldiers, allowing them to keep their entire paychecks.

"The men and women of our nation's armed forces work for incredibly low pay, and they should not have that pay reduced even further by federal taxes," Paul stated. "Some military families have been forced to accept welfare just to provide basic food and shelter for their children. Our nation should never permit its armed forces to live in poverty. A full-time active duty soldier should always be able to house, feed, and clothe his or her family. This legislation would provide every American service member with an immediate pay raise, without costing American taxpayers one cent."

"Thanks are in order for Congressman Culberson in the neighboring 7th district for sponsoring this important legislation," Paul concluded. "There is no reason to impose an income tax on our military, and I am proud to support this timely legislation as America's military is called upon to fight the war on terror."